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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Honorable Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

This is a response to the restriction requirement in the Office Action dated 12/17/2003. The applicant respectfully submits that this application is a divisional application of another non-provisional application, application number 10/079,990, filed February 19, 2002, as recited in section "Cross Reference of Related Application" of this application to claim the non-elected specie, Fig. 13, of the cross referencing '990 application.

Please be informed that the claims 1 to 34 substantially claim the specie, Fig. 13. of this divisional application. Therefore, the applicant chooses Fig. 13 as the elected single disclosed species for prosecution on the merits to which the claims shall be restricted if no generic claim is final held to be allowable.

A terminal disclaimer to disclaim the terminal part of any patent granted on the above identified application, which would extend beyond the expiration date of the full statutory term of non-provisional application, application number 10/079,990. A check in an amount of US\$55.00 is submitted herewith to pay the disclaimer fee.

Applicant elect without traverse to prosecute the invention of original claims 1 to 34 for examination since those elected claims read on the above elected embodiment.

Respectfully submitted,

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